

REMARKS

This Second Amendment is in response to the Examiner's paper mailed 07/06/06.

Claim 1 is now amended to distinguish the flap 30 and more particularly its bottom edge 31b from the portion of the flap designated as 23 in Figure 1 in US 6,233,788 to Choi by amending the last paragraph in Claim 1 and Claim 21 as follows:

“a spring coupled to restore the flap to a predetermined restored position with the flap bottom edge positioned above the insert cover top edge with the flap bottom edge extended toward the insert channel and protruding beyond the insert cover outer surface by a predetermined insert cover outer surface to flap bottom edge clearance distance that is greater than zero.”

Claims 21 through 24 were inserted to cover the embodiment shown in Figures 9a - 9d, 10a and 10b which integrate the spring and flap into a single component. Reference numbers were originally inserted into these claims to direct the reader to elements on the drawings and in the specification that correspond to the terms of art that are used in the specification. The inserted reference numbers are now captured by brackets.

Claims 3 - 6 and 17 were objected to for depending on a rejected base claim. Base Claim 1 is now believed to be allowable with the limitation of Claim 2 and the limitation that was added to avoid Choi as discussed above. Therefore claims 3 - 6 and 17 should now be allowable.

The Examiner rejected claim 24 as being anticipated by Choi. Claim 24 depends from claim 21 which is now amended in the same way as Claim 1 to avoid Choi. Claim 21 is therefore now believed to be in condition for allowance. Therefore, Claim 24 now depends from an allowable base claim and should be allowed.

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